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**I. AMENDMENT; AND II. RESPONSE TO
OFFICIAL ACTION DATED APRIL 9, 2003**

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Commissioner:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated April 9, 2003 for which the date for response is July 9, 2003.

It is believed that no fees are required for the present response. However, should any fees be required, authorization to withdraw the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 from Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. Account No.: 50-1212/UMIC:039USC1 is hereby given.